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Ms. Tanowa M. Troupe, Secretary
Ohio Power Siting Board
Docketing Division
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., for a Construction Notice for
the Duke Energy Ohio Zimmer Substation Separation Project
PUCO Case No. 19-1469-EL-BNR

Dear Ms. Troupe:

Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., (Duke Energy Ohio) is filing this Pre-Application Notification Letter in accordance with O.A.C. 4906-6-03(A) for the Duke Energy Ohio Zimmer Substation Separation Project (Project).

Duke Energy Ohio proposes to install a new steel monopole within the William H. Zimmer Generating Station to establish a new substation bus tie using new conductor to the existing generation station equipment and Duke Energy Ohio's Zimmer Substation. The new tie is needed to reconnect the generation station to the substation to provide increased security and operational separation for Duke Energy Ohio, required due to the sale of the generation station assets to a third party. The Project is located near Moscow within Clermont County, Ohio at the existing Zimmer Generating Station site.

Installation of the steel monopole and the conductor is planned during an outage in September 2019, pending approval of this Construction Notice. The Project is anticipated to be completed and in-service by December 2019.

Pursuant to O.A.C. 4906-6-04, Duke Energy Ohio is requesting an expedited review.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeanne W. Kingery

Jeanne W. Kingery
Associate General Counsel

cc: Tamara Turkenton, Executive Director